# Washington State Regional Fisheries Enhancement Groups -----Eight Year Outcomes & Accomplishments-----



#### 51 Million Fish Released

In eight short years the 14 Regional Enhancement Groups, in cooperation with the comanagers, have released over 51 million chinook, coho, chum, summer chum and steelhead into



the rivers and streams of Washington State. Returns are still increasing and evaluation data is being accumulated.



# **Projects Completed**

Over 367 miles of spawning and rearing habitat have been opened. These projects are directly associated with fish passage removal, repair, and/or replacement by the Regional Enhancement Groups. These projects have been in cooperation and collaboration with land owners, businesses, community organizations, foundations, tribes entities, and state/federal agencies.



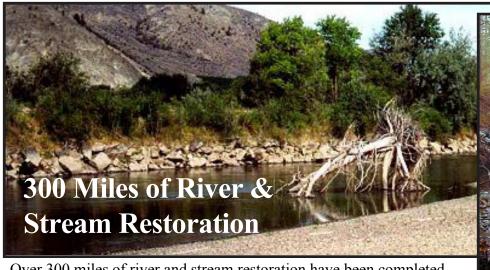
Washington State Regional Fisheries Enhancement Groups have removed, replaced or repaired culverts, bridges, and other barriers to salmon passage for access into spawning and rearing habitat.



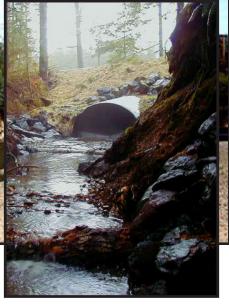


Volunteers have accumulated over 557,000 hours in eight years working toward salmon restoration across Washington State.

That extrapolates into over \$8.3 million dollars in salmon restoration attributed to volunteers which is the equivalent of 276 full time (FTEs) over eight years.



Over 300 miles of river and stream restoration have been completed, which include planting, revegetation, rechanneling and reconstruction.





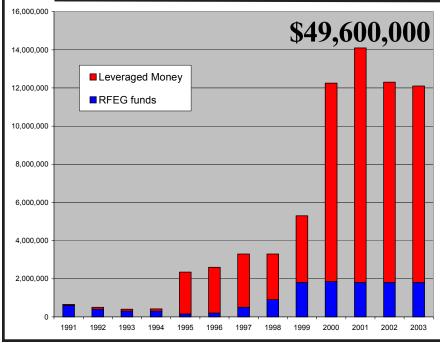
### 339,000 Carcasses Distributed

Over 339,000 chinook, coho and chum carcasses have been placed back into rivers and streams to supplement nutrients to the aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems. These critical nutrients have been lacking due to declining salmon populations returning to the rivers.

# **Salmon Projects Completed**

In addition to the fish passage projects completed by Washington State Regional Fisheries Enhancement Groups, these groups have also collectively completed 1,505 other salmon projects including revegetation, surveys, assessments, estuary restorations, research, monitoring, evaluation, nutrification evaluation, stewardship and education programs.





# of Funding Leveraged

Since 1995, the Regional Enhancement Groups of Washington State have leveraged \$10,300,000 of state and federal funding into an additional \$49,600,000 though partnerships and collaborations with individuals, groups, corporations, agencies, tribes, and foundations. That is a total investment in salmon restoration of \$59,900,000.



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